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SYSTEM, INFORMATION)	Confirmation No.: 5542
PROVIDING METHOD, AND)	
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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

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are attached. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-272640 is also cited on pages 3 through 4 of the specification. Non-English Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-514407 is related to U.S. Patent No. 6,754,485.

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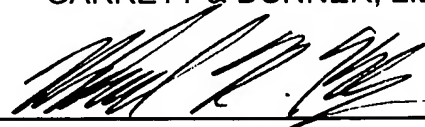
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